

March 15, 2010

Dear Parents and Guardians of Elementary and Middle School Students,

I am pleased to invite your child to apply for one of our summer school programs! As you may know, students who continue learning during the summer are better prepared for the next school year and less likely to lose knowledge gained during the school year. Over time, this can give them an edge in the competitive college admissions process.

This summer we are excited to offer enrichment, acceleration and intervention to help students reach these goals. Knowing the importance of a quality teacher in your child's learning, we will be recruiting our most talented, dedicated, and enthusiastic teachers. Students will also receive breakfast, snacks and lunch free of charge.

For Summer School 2010, DCPS will operate a half-day program for students in grades kindergarten through eight. Additionally, DCPS will offer elementary school students afternoon enrichment programs.

### Timeline

Summer school programs will run **from Monday, June 28 until Friday, August 6, 2010**, following the schedule below:

- Elementary School Academic Program: 8:00 am - 1:00 pm
- Elementary School Enrichment Program: 1:00 pm - 6:00 pm
- Middle School Academic Program: 8:00 am - 1:00 pm

### Eligibility

All students are welcome to complete the registration application, but students who require extra help according to test scores as well as teacher/principal recommendations, may be prioritized.

### How to Enroll

To enroll your child in summer school, please **fill out and submit the attached student enrollment form by Friday, April 30, 2010**. Please submit your child's form to his/her school's afterschool coordinator. If your child's school does not have a coordinator, please submit the enrollment form to the principal.

If you complete the enrollment form, your child will automatically be enrolled in summer school at the following school: \_\_\_\_\_.

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### We Need You!

- **Motivate** your child to enroll: Talk up summer learning at home as much as you can, including the chance to make new friends and participate with them in fun summer learning activities.
- **Offer incentives:** What does your child like to do? Try providing incentives for hitting attendance and achievement goals is something many parents use. This does not have to mean spending money, and could be a day with you or with friends—whatever you know motivates your child best.
- **Ensure** attendance and punctuality.

Please do not hesitate to contact your afterschool coordinator or principal if you have any questions. You can also find information on our website at [dcps.dc.gov](https://dcps.dc.gov). We look forward to working with you in a learning community dedicated to high achievement and academic growth.

Sincerely,



Michelle Rhee  
Chancellor, DCPS